



**Special
Olympics
Illinois**



Chicago Fire All Star Team Athlete/Partner/Coach Bio

Name: Jared Hoekstra

Age: 18

Hometown:

Role for Team (Athlete, Partner, Coach): Partner

Local Agency: Homewood Flossmoor High School

Years Involved in Special Olympics: 8

Other Special Olympics Sports Involved In: Unified Basketball

Background (School, Job): Senior at Homewood Flossmoor High School

Accomplishments: Making the Chicago Fire All-star team three years in a row.
Captain of my high school varsity team
Tommy Schuman Award at Special Games

Summary of Impact Special Olympics has had on you and/or your family: My family has been involved in Special Olympics for years. Watching the athletes compete and blow our minds and other people that see them compete makes us happy and excited. I am motivated by some of the athletes that are told no they can't do certain thing then go and prove people wrong.

Why is being a member of the Chicago Fire All Star Team important to you? Being a member is important to me because I get to hang out and meet with new athletes and partners from around Illinois. Also I have enjoyed the experience that I have had talking to the professional players.

